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Dan Rice's Show.

We see that Dan Rice's great show is now west of the cities of Allegheny and Pittsburgh. A gentleman who has seen the old and talented showman the present summer through the East, says it is a splendid affair, and that old Dan and his well trained animals are drawing immense crowds to see them, (which ought to Dan Rice hefty, for Dan is still alive and kicking, notwithstanding reports to the contrary, and we infer that he has lost a considerable amount of his old democratic notions, for, in speaking of the races, he says "Colored Brethren and Sisters," and says you may as well call them so, for it will come to that any way. By all means see Dan and his well trained horses and mules as well as the sacred battle. Semi occasionally.

The Daily Commercial

State Bank Notes.

The National Bank of Redemption, at Boston, gives notice that it will continue to receive for redemption, as heretofore, the notes of State banks in New England, and it is stated all the Boston banks will continue to receive on deposit, as heretofore, the old State currency.

THE INTERNATIONAL MATCH.—The Boston *Traveler* referring to the match between Hamill and Kelley says: "The English people are greatly stirred about the matter, and think poorly of the "Yankee's" chance of winning. So it is in all matters in which they contend with Americans. They spoke lightly of the yacht "America" in 1861, but she outstripped their fleet of yachts and bore off the palm of victory. We are confident that our noble young countryman will also prove more than a match for Britain's champion oarsman, and wear a wreath of laurel on independence Day." The second race takes place on the 4th of July.

STAYED AWAY.—They have had a great fai in Washington for the benefit of the orphans of soldiers. The colored people proposed to mix and mingle, and do what they could, but the managereses did not permit colored children, but graciously set apart when they might come all by the nselves—kind souls! The day came, but the colored children didn't—Whereat the white folks felt a little cheap.

DRYING UP.—The stream of gold to Europe appears to have pretty nearly dried up. The steamer from Boston, on Saturday, took out little or none at all.

THE CULVER FAILURE.

Mr. Culver in Jail.

The Pursuit and the Surrender.

The Meadville *Republican* of the 3d inst., has a lengthy editorial on an "Inhuman Persecution," or "Facts for the People," from which we take the following:

On Saturday last, the Hon. C. V. Culver took up his lodgings in the Venango county jail—that seeming to be the only way in which he could escape the relentless persecution waged against him by three or four of his creditors, who appear to think that the sure way to establish their own reputations is to pursue with fiendish malignity an unfortunate man who is at present under a cloud finan'ially. Mrs. Culver, with the devotion of a true woman, accompanied her husband and shares his cell with him.

We have heretofore refrained from giving publicity to many of the exaggerated and unfounded reports which have been spread before the public to create a prejudice against Mr. Culver. But it is due to him that the public mind should be unbiased, and that a brief statement should be made of important facts connected with his experiences for the past few months.

Shortly after the failure of the New York house of Culver, Penn & Co., it became apparent that they would not be released from their assignment, Mr. Culver came to Reno, and entered personally into the work of completing the Reno, Oil Creek & Pithole Railway—which consisted in the portion of his assets, and is held in trust by an eminent New York capitalist as security for moneys advanced. To further the completion of this enterprise and put it in successful operation, Mr. Culver was supplied with funds, and as the authorized agent of the Trustees proceeded to pay off the bands, &c. He had hardly arrived upon the ground before he was pounced upon by a creditor, at the suit of Thomas Hoge and others, who charged him with conspiracy to defraud, &c. He gave bail to answer, but Hoge persistently demanded payment of the debt due him, and secured process from the Court to not pay him immediately. Mr. Culver answered that while he could not pay him, and further told him that it would be wrong for him to apply the money of other parties to pay his (Hoge's) debt, and that the claims of other creditors were equally binding with his own; but Hoge was determined not to be satisfied. He was a director in the Venango Bank, and was seeking a re-nomination and election to the State Senate. From that day to this he has sought by every form of prosecution that malice could invent to harass Mr. Culver. Suits of all kinds have been instituted, and exorbitant bail demanded—all this, too, while Mr. Culver was working manfully and successfully to render his assets available for the benefit of his creditors. The time and space fail us to give a full history of all the actions brought against him by Hoge, or at his instance. The bail demanded in the various cases amounts to several millions of dollars, but in most cases it was refused by the Courts to a reasonable amount. Hoge unwearyingly carried it until weary, at last ceased to issue warrants. Thomas S. Lyons, Esq., was then a candidate for President Judge, then took up the cudgel. He was another director in the Venango Bank, and had a political axe to grind. A few days since he issued a bench warrant, requiring Mr. Culver to go into insolvency under the law covering the $100,000. On Saturday Mr. Culver was about to give bail, when he learned that other warrants were ready to follow, and he determined to be dogged no longer, but to go to jail and await his trial. This step on his part has blocked the schemes of his persecutors, and at the same time aroused a feeling of general indignation in the community.

One word in regard to the sensation story of frauds committed by Mr. Culver and others in getting the bonds of the Venango and Petroleum Banks from the Auditor General's office. The story was, we believe, first started to serve the purposes of E. H. Chase, Esq., President of the Petroleum Bank. He was a candidate for the Republican nomination for Assembly in this county. His connection with the Bank rendered him unpopular, and endeavored to persuade the public that the bonds of the Bank had been fraudulently taken from the Auditor General's office, without authority. Now the facts are these: Culver, Penn & Co. were the principal owners of the Petroleum and Venango Banks. These Banks were started by Mr. Culver, and took the place of his private banking house. The bonds were placed with the Auditor General to secure the circulation of the Banks, and they were received by Mr. Culver and his agents only for the redemption of the notes, and in every instance, the bills of the Banks, duly cancelled, were returned to the Auditor General for the full value of the bonds obtained. They were sold to them by the Auditor General exactly in accordance with the intent of the law which required their deposit to secure a circulation. How could this be a fraud? The men who started the story of fraud, knew perfectly well that they were committing a fraud on the public by this unfounded report. It was done for political purposes, and it will be likely to do Hoge and Myers as little good as it did Mr. Chase, who was overwhelmingly defeated. Culver, Penn & Co. had agencies in Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, and elsewhere, to which they carried the notes of the Venango, Petroleum, Jamestown and City Banks, by, and with the knowledge and approval of the Auditor General, and the issuing of the bonds from the Auditor General for the cancelled notes of the Banks, they committed no fraud. Furthermore the bonds of the Venango and Petroleum Banks in the hands of the Auditor General at this time are largely in excess of the outstanding circulation of those banks.

The writer goes on to say, that he does not rite to vindicate Mr. Culver in his financial ansactions, but that he ever purposed to defraud any one he does not believe, and that the enemies of those who knew him best, many of whom are heavy losers, so believe. The end of adversity is upon him. The man who succeeds is glorified—the man who fails is cursed. The sympathy of many good men and women are with him, who believe that his enemies will live to be ashamed of their persistent and unmanly conduct. The writer considers it his duty as a friend to stand by him and endeavor to correct the misrepresentations which have been set afloat to serve the selfish ends of men who seek preferment at the cost of all that is near and dear to those at their mercy. Mr. Culver is entitled to the plea.

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WASHINGTON.

Action on the Tariff Bill.

The Tax on Window Glass Increased.

Illinois Central Railroad to be Paid.

THE INTERNAL REVENUE BILL.

Tax on Cigars, Tobacco and Snuff.

Circular from Freedmen's Bureau.

Special Dispatch to the Pittsburgh Commercial.
WASHINGTON, July 5, 1866.

Congress.

Congress resumed its session to-day, with general attendance in both houses. In the House there was an hour's debate on a bill to amend the amendatory act lately passed, relating to the change of route of the Union Pacific Railroad, and finally a substitute for the bill was adopted, which was offered by Thad. Stevens. The friends of the original measure thereupon moved to lay the whole subject on the table, which was carried by over one hundred votes. There was considerable feeling manifested on the subject.

Tax on Window Glass.

The House then took up the tariff bill, and considered it during the rest of the day and at an evening session. The duties on window glass of every grade were increased, on all sizes one half cent per pane. It now ranges from two and a half cents to four and a half cents per pane. The holding of night sessions is indicative of the pressure for the final adjournment of Congress. The heated term has commenced again.

The Illinois Central Railroad Company

Has triumphed for the third time over the attempt made in the House to amend the Army Appropriation Bill, so as to reduce the institution of a suit against that road for money paid for military transportation, on the ground that the act of Congress, donating lands to aid in its construction, provides that the Government should have free transportation over it. The amendment was rejected by the Senate. The House in turn insisted on it, so a Committee of Conference was ordered, and the result was that they concurred with the Senate. The House today receded from the amendment, and the bill was passed without a vote.

Internal Revenue Bill.

The Committee of Conference on the Internal Revenue bill have agreed on a report, and the bill will probably pass both Houses to-morrow. There were but few disagreements on the items of taxation, which were mainly compromised as follows: On raw cotton three cents. The income tax is finally fixed just as it is in the law now in force. Gas companies are allowed to charge the consumers with the tax until April, 1867. Railroad companies have the same privilege in which to charge passengers with the tax.

Tax on Cigars and Tobacco.

The cigar tax is as follows: On cigarettes, short sizes, twisted heads and cheroots, valued at not over eight dollars per thousand, a tax of two dollars per thousand; on cigarettes, cheroots and cigars, valued at over eight and not over twelve dollars per thousand, four dollars per thousand; and when valued over twelve dollars per thousand, four dollars per thousand, and twenty per cent. ad valorem on the value over and said twelve dollars. The tax on tobacco is finally fixed as follows: On snuff manufactured of tobacco, or any substitute for tobacco, ground, dry or damp, pickled, scented or otherwise, of all descriptions, when prepared for use or sale, a tax of forty cents per pound; on twisted, plug, twist, or other kinds of manufactured tobacco, not otherwise provided for, a tax of forty cents per pound. On tobacco twisted by hand, or reduced from leaf into a condition to be consumed without the use of any machine or instrument, and without being pressed, sweetened or otherwise prepared, and on fine-cut shorts, a tax of thirty cents per pound. On fine-cut chewing tobacco, whether manufactured with the stems in or not, or however sold, whether loose in bulk or in packages, papers, wrappers or boxes, a tax of forty cents per pound; on smoking tobacco, sweetened, stemmed or bulked, a tax of forty cents per pound; on smoking tobacco of all kinds, not sweetened, stemmed or bulked, including that made of stems or in part of stems, and imitation thereof, a tax of fifteen cents per pound.

Pardons.

Since the number of applications for pardon are daily diminishing, the clerks of the Pardon Bureau of the Attorney General's office have commenced to prepare the requisition for warrants of pardon of all those persons who have petitions on file in the office under the first, tenth, twelfth and fifteenth exceptions of the Amnesty Proclamation, except those who occupied important positions under the rebel government.

Circular from Freedmen's Bureau.

The Commissioner of the Freedmen's Bureau has addressed a circular to all officers on duty with the Bureau, calling their attention to general orders from the War Department, publishing an act approved June 14th, to regulate and secure the safe keeping of public money entrusted to disbursing officers of the Bureau stationed at places where there is no Treasurer or Assistant Treasurer of the United States, who deem it essential to the public interest that they be authorized to deposit the public money for which they are responsible, in any other public depository, or to keep it in any other manner; and requiring them to make application to the Commissioner in order to obtain the necessary authority, as provided for in section one of the above named act.

WASHINGTON, July 5.
THE PARIS EXPOSITION.

Congress has at length passed the appropriation act, providing for the participation of the United States in the Paris Universal Exposition of 1867. In addition to the many applications already filed, it is presumed there are still others which have been awaiting the result of this legislation on the subject, and that the leading minds of the several States will now prepare a full report of applications made public last April, so that no important interest or new invention shall be omitted. Forms of application can be obtained of J. C. Derby, General Agent of the United States for the Exposition, No. 3, Spruce street, and No. 97 Park Row, New York.

QUARANTINE.

There is no sickness of any kind at quarantine.

CONFIRMED.

The Senate, in executive session to-day, confirmed the appointment of William S. Mosley, of Missouri, as one of the three Commissioners appointed under the act of April 17th, to re-imburse the State of Missouri for moneys expended in enrolling, equipping and subsisting United States forces during the rebellion.

THE PRESIDENT.

Lists have been prepared in the General Land Office for the restoration of Public Lands in the State of Iowa to the market. The sales at the different land offices will probably not comprise millions of acres, the rate being $2 50 and $1 25 per acre.

SOUTHERN MEMBERS.

It is said that the members elect to Congress from the Southern States intend to unite in an address to the citizens of the section, to send delegates to the Philadelphia Convention, in August next.

FROM ST. LOUIS

Conservative State Convention—President Johnson Indorsed—Delegates Elected to Philadelphia Convention—Monster Meeting in Illinois.

ST. LOUIS, July 5.—The Conservative State Convention adjourned yesterday, subject to the call of the President and a majority of the Vice Presidents. Resolutions were adopted requesting Gov. Fletcher to call together the next Legislature authorized to come into service to preserve peace, on the ground that the present constitutional to keep troops in peace without the consent of Congress, except when the State is actually invaded or in imminent danger. Resolutions of indorsing President Johnson's action in relation to the Freedmen's Bureau, Civil Rights bill, and all other measures adopted by him for the restoration of the South to the Union; condemning the efforts of Congress to amend the Constitution while one-third of the States are unrepresented; protesting against the attempt to have the amendment ratified by a Legislature chosen one or two years ago, and heartily approving the course in Congress of Representatives Hogan and Noell, the Convention elected four persons from each Congressional district and nine for the State at large, as delegates to the Philadelphia Convention, among them Congressmen Hogan and Noell.

The greatest meeting ever held in Southern Illinois, if not in the State, assembled yesterday at Belleville. The weather was favorable, and the meeting was addressed by Generals Sherman, Logan, Governor Oglesby and others. The procession from the city was four hours in passing a given point. The number present was about twenty thousand.

Fight between Soldiers and Freedmen at Atlanta, Ga.

AUGUSTA, GA., July 5.—The freedmen and soldiers engaged in a fight at Atlanta, on the fourth, in which a few were wounded. The timely appearance of the military prevented the disturbance from becoming general and serious.

Fire at Willowvale, N. Y.

UTICA, N. Y., July 5.—The extensive machinery works of Rogers & Co., at Willowvale, the south suburb of this city, were totally consumed by fire, together with their contents, on last Wednesday morning. It was clearly an incendiary fire. Insured in thirty companies for $100,000. Loss nearly double that amount.

Rogers of General Lane's Recovery.

LEAVENWORTH, KANSAS, July 5.—Hopes are now entertained that Gen. Lane will recover. He seems much better to-night. He is conscious, and is able to speak.

SAD ACCIDENT.

A Lady and Gentleman Drowned.

HUDSON, N. Y., July 5.—A sad calamity occurred yesterday afternoon, when a party was proceeding to Rogers's Island on a pic nic excursion in small boats. One of the boats was swamped two miles below this city, and Mr. Frederick Gifford, Jr., of this city, and Miss Louisa Manley, of Ottawa, Ill., were drowned. The bodies have not yet been recovered.

Fire in Lawrenceburg, Ind.

CINCINNATI, June 5.—A fire in Lawrenceburg Indiana, yesterday, destroyed Bryant & Lord's foundry, Newitt & Major's warehouse, and Lewis & Eichelbuger's malt house, Stockman's saw mill, Cheek's ice house, and three private residences. Loss sixty thousand dollars, partially insured.

Fire in Newport, Ky.

CINCINNATI, July 5.—Youngblut's drug store, in Newport, Ky., was destroyed by fire yesterday. Loss about $10,000.

PITTSBURGH AND CONNELLSVILLE RAILROAD.

The Late Trial and Decision.

ITS FORCE AND EXTENT.

The following communication to the Baltimore *Commercial* is specially interesting at this time: The jury trial in the United States Circuit Court at Williamsport, Pa., having resulted on the 28th ultimo as has been stated in favor of the Pittsburgh and Connellsville Railroad Company, it is proper to explain the position in which the verdict has placed that company, about which there may be misconceptions in this community which is so much interested in the completion of the road from Connellsville to Cumberland. The company has been acquitted by the jury, under the charge of the Court, in "misusing or abusing its privileges according to the true intent and meaning of its charter," and a final decree has been made by the court enjoining the "Connellsville and Southern Pennsylvania Railroad Company," (which the Pennsylvania Legislature had incorporated the same day she repealed the P. & C. Railroad charter to succeed the rights and privileges of the latter,) from interfering in the construction of the P. & C. Railroad on the route upon which it had heretofore located its road. This decree settles the question, as between the two companies, of the choice of ground for their respective roads, a vitally important decision, as there is, for most of the distance between Connellsville and Cumberland, but one feasible route on which collision could have been avoided.

The act repealing the P. and C. R. R. Co.'s chartered rights, east of Connellsville, is also pronounced unconstitutional by the Court, under the state of the facts as now established by the verdict of the jury, that company will not proceed at once to the completion of its road. Its stockholders in Pennsylvania, at the supposed instance of the Penn. R. R. Co. the real defendant in the recent suit, under the assumed name of the C. and S. Pa. R. R. Co. has issued, out of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, a writ of *quo warranto*, calling on the P. and C. R. R. Co. to show cause why its charter should not be amended. This writ has been pending upwards of a twelvemonth, and has not yet come to tardiness on the part of the Attorney General has been brought to an issue.

It is stated that it will now be urged by, and opposed of, and favorably, to the P. & C. Railroad Company, which will then be left free to go on with its work without further embarrassment. The Company, on the recent trial, had the usually difficult task of "proving a negative," which it voluntarily assumed in order to expedite a decision, and which it conclusively sustained in the face of desperate efforts by the Counsel who the vast pecuniary resources of its opponent enabled it to command. Thus the definite legality of the Company's affairs since 1856, when the city of Baltimore first became actively interested with them, and they were conducted by officers recommended by herself, has been fully vindicated.

POLITICAL.

A correspondent of the Franklin, Pa., *Repository*, says that Frederick Carroll Brewster, Esq., solicitor of the city of Philadelphia, will be a candidate for United States Senator, and will be backed by a decided majority of the Philadelphia delegation in the caucus of the Union party.

A meeting of the Franklin county, Pa., soldiers was held at Chambersburg on the 27th. A report of the proceedings of the delegates to the Pittsburgh Convention was read, and the thanks of the meeting returned to the delegation for the able and satisfactory manner in which they had discharged their duties. The following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That this convention indorse the action of the Union Convention of the State of Pittsburgh in all its length and breadth, and cordially approve its ratification of the nomination of Judge W. Lemuel Penny.

Resolved, That the soldiers of Franklin county, who coincide with us in political sentiment, would do well to attend a meeting of the Soldiers' Union of the Boys in Blue.

It was also resolved to hold, at Chambersburg, about the middle of September, a grand mass meeting of the soldiers of the county, and to invite Generals Geary, Logan, Owen, Tyler, and others to be present.

The Democrats of Northumberland county, Pa., have nominated J. Woods Browne for Congress, and Geo. W. Thorp for Assembly.

The Democrats of Huntington county, Pa., have nominated Hon. Cyrus L. Pershing, of Huntingdon, for Congress, and Col. John S. Miller for Assembly.

The Gettysburg *Star* favors Gov. Curtin for the U. S. Senate. It says:—"Among the many good men who aspire to the Senatorship, no one would meet with a more cordial indorsement than Governor Curtin. He will soon retire from office, broken down in health by the cares that have pressed upon him, but with the unlimited confidence and unqualified approval of his constituents. He has ever been true to the interests of Pennsylvania, and would be the last recreant to his trusts, nor abuse the confidence of his party. Let him be honored by a seat in the United States Senate."

The Williams county, Ohio, delegates to the Union Congressional Convention, are in favor of the re-nomination of Hon. James M. Ashley, for Congress.

The Republicans of the 16th District, Ohio, will hold an election at Cambridge, on the 16th of August, to nominate a candidate for Congress. It is understood that the contest for the nomination will be between Mr. Bingham, the present incumbent, and Colonel Poorman, of the Belmont *Chronicle*.

In the Franklin County, Ohio, Democratic Convention, July 3d, John M. Pugh was renominated for Probate Judge, and Milton H. Mann for Prosecuting Attorney.

The Democratic Convention of Jefferson county, Pa., on Monday last, nominated the following ticket; Prothonotary, Capt. J. M. Steck, of Brockville; Sheriff, Nathan Carrier, Jr., Rose township; Commissioner, J. A. Minnich, Punxsawtawney; Auditor, Robert Daugherty, Washington township.

The Republican Convention of Jefferson county, Pa., which met on Monday last, instructed their Congressional Conferees to support Hon. G. W. Scofield for Congress, Paul Darling was nominated for Prothonotary; Samuel Temple for Sheriff; A. J. Monks for Commissioner, and Col. Morris for Auditor. The Representative Conferees were instructed to support Hon. L. Fogle.

The Democrats of Indiana county, Pa., met on Monday last in Indiana borough, and put in nomination the following ticket: Congress—A. W. Wilson, Esq., Indiana; President Judge—S. M. Clark, Esq., Indiana; Assembly—John F. Young, Esq., Indiana. No county ticket was nominated.

The Hon. John Wentworth, who is a candidate for renomination in the Chicago district, repels the insinuation that he has not voted steadily for negro suffrage this session. He claims to have lost no opportunity to show his devotion to the principle, and declares the insinuation that he has not, an injurious slander.

The New Orleans *Times*, the most widely circulated paper in the South, takes grounds of unqualified opposition to the Constitutional Amendment, not only as to its provisions, but also as to the entire legislation of Congress, while the late rebel States are unrepresented, is null and void.

William Benson, Esq., of the city of Erie, Pa., is announced as a candidate for Congress in the Nineteenth District, subject to the Union Republican Convention.

Vallandigham told the Democratic committee of Ohio that he would stump the State, and they told him he shouldn't.

Complete official returns from the Oregon election give the following Union majorities: Mallory (for Congress), 509. Wells (for Governor), 327. The remainder of the state ticket receives a still larger majority. The Legislature stands: Senate eight Union majority; House, five Union majority.

At St. Louis, about four o'clock on the morning of the 30th instant, fire was discovered near the after guards on the boiler deck of the steamer Lorena, recently from Pittsburgh. The fire was discovered by the watchman on board, who was extinguished it with a few buckets of water. It originated in the cotton which was placed near one of the escape pipes twenty-four bales previous. The cabin above and below was crowded with boats, and had not the fire been extinguished as it was, we should have had another necessity of recording one of the most destructive boat conflagration that has visited our city for a long time.

DIPLOMATIC DIGNITY.—Mr. Motley, the historian, who has for some years so ably represented our country at Vienna, has written rather tartly to Secretary Seward, who undertook to lecture him for not keeping the state department posted about the alleged departure of Austrians from Trieste for Mexico. "I confess," says Mr. Motley, "that I do not think I could consider it worth while to trouble you with a matter which seemed to be merely a piece of gossip. I felt that, so long as I was deemed worthy of my present post, you would feel confident that I would always furnish you with accurate intelligence as to the progress of events occurring in Austria, and that the consolidation and embarkation for Mexico of ten thousand Austrians, at Trieste, were facts not likely to escape my notice." Rather a sharp reminder this, from Motley, that he is able to mind his business, without any sparring from Mr. Seward.

INTERNATIONAL SCULLING MATCH.

HAMILL'S GREAT POPULARITY.

Immense Demand for His Colors

Kelley's Movements.

The Newcastle *Chronicle* of the 18th says: There is very little to add to that already given with respect to this affair. Hamill is taking his daily exercise on the river, and also on *terra firma*, and is at present looking remarkably well. Kelley left here on Saturday afternoon for London, and will return to Newcastle on or about Thursday next, when he will take up his quarters at the Dun Cow, at Dunston. Jewitt by that time will also have his new boat completed, so that there will be very favorable opportunities of witnessing the daily doings of the champion, and the more so as the tides in the course of their daily recurrence will necessitate their being on the river at about the same times of the day or evening.

The *Chronicle* of the 20th has the following: Although, strictly speaking, but little progress can be reported in respect to this event—both men being now in active training—yet the interest in the affair is daily becoming more intense, Mr. J. Brown's hospitable hostelry being nightly crowded by persons most anxious to obtain another and another view of the American champion, and if possible, pick up any information that may be gathered about the great aquatic event of 1866. To such an extent is the Yankee held in favor here that there has been a most extraordinary demand for his colors, so much so indeed that the first lot of upwards of 200 have been exhausted, and so great is still the ongoing after them that it will be found to be absolutely necessary to bring out a "second edition." Hamill keeps in first-rate form, takes his accustomed spin over the course in a day in his new skiff, built by Harry Clasper, which he improves of more and more every day. In the course of a day or two we shall perhaps be in a position to report the return of Kelley to Tyneside to go through his necessary preliminaries for the forthcoming great events.

The "Local Gossip" of the *Chronicle* of the 18th has the following:

The forthcoming contests between Hamill and Kelley excite great attention throughout the country, and on the 4th of July we may expect an immense influx of visitors to our "bonnie toon." The fine spirit shown by the competitors, when they met together last week, was most creditable to both of them. It was England's and America's champion showed that in the matter of courtesy to an opponent, he was not to be beaten by any Briton. Kelley, I learn, is in excellent trim, and will be very near to success. Indeed, almost every boating man in England considers the style of rowing practised here much superior to that of Hamill, and very competent judges predict an easy victory for the Londoner. Two days ago Hamill had a very near altogether so sanguine. Hamill is without doubt an extraordinary man. His rowing on the ebb is quite unique, and he has a peculiar knack of taking every pains to put himself into good condition. He trains hard, much harder than the men generally do in training, and keeps them in good health and spirits, and seems to be confident of victory, but for mere purpose of delay, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company should refuse to carry the case any further, decide against her up to the Supreme Court of the United States, where a final settlement must result in favor of the Pittsburgh and Connellsville Railroad Company, and probably not later than next winter. Mean while the company is prepared to push on its work rapidly to completion, the moment it is relieved of all legal embarrassment. The P. & C. Railroad Company, on the recent trial, had the usually difficult task of "proving a negative," which it voluntarily assumed in order to expedite a decision, and which it conclusively sustained in the face of desperate efforts by the Counsel who the vast pecuniary resources of its opponent enabled it to command. Thus the definite legality of the company's affairs since 1856, when the city of Baltimore first became actively interested with them, and they were conducted by officers recommended by herself, has been fully vindicated.

THE FOURTH IN WESTMORELAND.

Notwithstanding the morning of the "Fourth" was wet, and the appearance indicated a protracted rain, a very large crowd of the patriotic citizen of Westmoreland county assembled near Harrison City, for the purpose of celebrating the day. The order of exercises, which had previously been made public through the newspapers, was, speeches, dinner and dancing.

The speakers, Capt. James Rees, Jas. A. Logan, Esq., and Dr. W. J. K. Kline, anxious to participate in celebrating the ninetieth anniversary of the birth of our nation's independence, and determined to discharge fully their duty as orators of the occason, were all, despite the unpropitiousness of the weather, on the ground at the seasonable hour of nine o'clock.

Heaven seemed to behold with benign complacence the devotedness of the assemblage and the faithfulness of the speakers, and before the hour appointed for opening had arrived, the clouds were scattered and the sky was clear. At ten o'clock Capt. Frees took the stand and amidst loud cheers proceeded to address the meeting. He went into history, explored the ruins of fallen republics and in a philosophic manner showed up their weaknesses and demonstrated that our country must live forever.

Jas. A. Logan was next called for, and responded handsomely. He said: "As the clouds which had but an hour ago darkened every area of the heavens, were, by an ever-ruling hand, broken and driven away, so would our national troubles be dispelled by the same merciful Providence. He rested his hope for the future greatness and prosperity of the Government upon the dissemination of the christian religion, and while it was certainly of transcendant importance to inspire our youth with patriotic feelings and sentiments, it was infinitely more important to instill early into their minds a profound reverence and adoration for God. Being in whose hands are held the destinies both of nations and individuals.

Dr. Kline then rose. His throat admonished him against out-door speaking—he would be brief. He spoke in pathetic terms of the sacrifice and suffering of the Union soldiers in defense of our cause in the late conflict with the rebels, and deduced that patriotism so self-sacrificing could not fail to be rewarded.

After the speaking was over, a most excellent dinner was soon spread by the ladies. It is customary to praise dinners of this kind, but it is simple truth to say a more tasteful and luxurious repast was never prepared in the country, and the highest honors are due to the fair hands by which it was done.

An extensive platform had been erected, and the remainder of the day was occupied in dancing, and the grace and skill displayed therein showed that though our females had been taught to prepare nice meals, their education and training in that fashionable amusement had not been neglected. SPECTATOR.

THE FOURTH IN WOOSTER, OHIO.

Grand Public Demonstration—Firemen's Procession—Balloon Ascension, Fireworks, &c., &c.

The citizens of Wooster, Ohio, celebrated the Fourth of July by a grand public demonstration, which proved a decided success. The Hope Steam Fire Engine Company, of Cleveland, visited Wooster, by invitation of the citizens and firemen of that city, and participated in the festivities of the occasion. The Company arrived at Wooster at nine o'clock on Tuesday evening, and was met at the depot by the firemen, who escorted them to the American Hotel, where quarters had been provided for them. At ten o'clock on the morning of the Fourth, a special train from Canton and Massillon, numbering fourteen cars, filled with men, women and children, arrived. Two companies from Canton, and one from Massillon, with their apparatus were also on the train. A number of other companies were expected, but failed to arrive.

A procession was formed, and marched to the Diamond Square, where Captain A. S. McClure, formerly of the Sixteenth Ohio regiment, read, in behalf of the citizens, delivered an address of welcome, which was responded to by Capt. S. Riddle, of Allegheny. Remarks were also made by Mayor Curry and R. R. Donnelly, Esq., the President of the day. The firemen (Hope Company) were then given the right of the procession was reformed, the Hope of Allegheny, being accorded the Fight. Many of the companies had never before seen a steam engine, and as a natural consequence, the Hope was the object of the greatest curiosity. Their machine made a finer appearance, and was well prepared to stand the critical examination which it received. The procession, which was a long one, from Massillon, and the three Wooster organizations, marched through the principal streets of the city. The procession marched to the Fair Grounds, for the purpose of witnessing the balloon ascension. At least ten thousand persons were within the enclosure, and as the price of admission charged was fifty cents, the amount realized from the sale of tickets was considerable. The balloon ascension was a failure. The balloon would not rise, and after the gas had been exhausted, and so great was the disappointment of the crowd that the aeronaut, Mr. Hall, was mobbed, and narrowly escaped with his life. The balloon was torn to pieces by the infuriated crowd, and the car was thrown out and broke his arm, besides sustaining severe bruises on the head and body.

The firemen then returned to the city, when they were entertained by the citizens in the various dwellings, then Staple & Son's and Richardson's Hall, where a magnificent supper was served in elegant style. After supper, the firemen repaired to the Fair Ground, where a platform had been erected, and a grand ball was given. The Hope Band, which accompanied the company, discoursed excellent music during the evening. The Hope Company left Wooster on the morning of the 5th, on the return trip to Cleveland, and were escorted to the depot by the Wooster Fire Department. The Hope Company left Wooster on the morning of the 5th, on the return trip to Cleveland, and were escorted to the depot by the Wooster Fire Department. The Hope Company left Wooster on the morning of the 5th, on the return trip to Cleveland, and were escorted to the depot by the Wooster Fire Department.

SECOND EDITION.

4 O'CLOCK A. M.

AID FOR PORTLAND SUFFERERS.

The Missouri Commissioners.

OPPOSITION TO THE TARIFF BILL.

Rousseau Not to be Expelled.

Counterfeit National Currency.

INTERNAL REVENUE RECEIPTS.

Special Dispatch to Pittsburgh Commercial.
WASHINGTON, July 5.

The Soldiers' National Fair

Here sent five hundred dollars to-night to the sufferers by the Portland fire.

The Chicago Office-Seekers.

The statement telegraphed West, that the applicants for the Chicago offices had quarreled with the President is without any foundation whatever. They are all on the best of terms with the Executive, as the nomination of Martin as District Attorney fully shows.

The Missouri Commissioners.

In the executive session of the Senate to-day, the remaining Missouri Commissioner was confirmed. The law now requires them to enter at once on their work of examining the Missouri militia claims, and reporting the result to the Treasury.

Significant.

There is considerable gossip in Diplomatic quarters over the sudden departure of Secretary Seward's nephew as special bearer of dispatches to our Minister to France. Mexican affairs are assigned as the cause of this mission, with which it is said Santa Anna has had something to do.

Opposition to the Tariff Bill.

The Western members of all political parties find that if they can all be here on the day when the vote is taker, that the tariff bill can be defeated. The opposition to the bill is very strong, though the Western men generally desire to protect the various interests.

Expulsion of Rousseau.

An informal count in the House as matters now stand, show that a two-third vote for the expulsion of General Rousseau cannot be obtained. It is said that between an expulsion and a reprimand, General Rousseau has no choice.

Counterfeit National Currency.

The Treasury Department is advised of counterfeit fives of National Bank notes being afloat.

Internal Revenue.

The internal revenue receipts to-day again reached two millions and a quarter.

GREAT FIRE IN PORTLAND

Conflagration Still Raging

Tents to be Supplied the Houseless.

Aid for the Sufferers Sent from Boston.

PORTLAND, ME., July 4—7 P. M.—A terrible fire is raging here, having destroyed Brown's sugar refinery, and is sweeping through the city before a strong southerly wind.

SECOND DISPATCH.

PORTLAND, July 5.—The fire was caught in the building above the sugar house, on Commercial street, and has swept northerly through that street to the Boston depot, between which and Cross streets, consuming everything as it goes. J. H. Brown & Sons lost from $60,000 to $70,000; insured for $40,000. Chapleigh & Son's machine shop and N. P. Richardson & Co.'s paint shop are among the burned. One steam fire engine has just come from Saco.

Latest.

PORTLAND, ME., July 5.—The fire has completely swept away the business portion, and everything in its track so completely that the lines of the streets can hardly be traced for a space of more than a mile in length and a quarter of a mile wide. Many buildings, perhaps one hundred and fifty, had been built up in the ashes of flames, but the inhabitants could scarcely do more than flee with their families to the upper part of the city, and save as far as they could carry. The custom house being fire proof escaped, though the granite work was much damaged. The Preble House is entirely destroyed. The splendid city and county building on Congress street, which had been saved by the most strenuous exertions, and it was filled full of furniture by the neighboring residents, and then it took fire and after a series of failures was finally captured by an Allegheny boat, which started off in triumph.

About three o'clock the balloon ascension was to have taken place, but could not be induced to rise. A young man, a pupil of Professor Fitch, of the High Level Bridge, and superintended the arrangements, occupied the basket. The balloon ascended into the air about a mile, when, owing to the escape of the gas, it descended within full view of the Fair Ground. The young man was thrown out of the basket struck the ground the occupant was thrown out and broke his arm, besides sustaining severe bruises on the head and body.

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UNION COUNTY NOMINATIONS.

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SAMUEL B. CULLEY.

FOR CLERK OF QUARTER SESSIONS:
JOHN G. BROWN.

FOR CLERK OF ORPHANS' COURT:
ALEX. HILANDS.

FOR RECORDER:
HENRY SNIVELY.

FOR REGISTRAR:
JOSEPH H. GRAY.

FOR COMMISSIONER:
GEORGE HAMILTON.

FOR DIRECTOR OF THE POOR
JOHN F. DRAVO.

FOR ASSEMBLY:
SAMUEL CHADWICK,
R. A. COLVILLE,
GEORGE Y. M'KEE,
GEORGE WILSON,
WILLIAM PETERS,
JOHN P. GLASS.

WHAT OF THE TARIFF?

Up to the adjournment for the Fourth of July recess, Tuesday evening, the contest on the tariff bill, in the House, had continued to be warm, with results favorable to the cause of American interests. The motion fixing the duty on bituminous coal at $1 50 per ton—the present duty—instead of fifty cents, as reported by the Committee, was carried by the casting vote of the Speaker. It is extremely doubtful whether the rate will be finally retained.

The general character of the bill when it leaves the House, is now pretty well settled—it will embody some distinct protective features, but less protective, as a whole than many wished to make it. Should it become a law, without any material change from present appearances, probably the friends of Home Industry will have reason for congratulating themselves and the country.

But this consummation is yet to be achieved. Should the Senate rule, this session, has been to disagree, sometimes fatally, with the House on great measures. How it will be on the tariff remains to be seen. We cannot believe that that body, after the popular branch—the immediate representatives of the people—have deliberated so long, will undertake material alterations. But the trouble is not likely to end with the Senate. Fears have been excited as to the fate of the bill with the President, and a veto has been hinted at. In this case the President, in carrying into practice once more the rule of disagreeing with Congress in regard to great measures affecting the interests of the eleven—the fatal eleven—non-represented States, would find himself strangely reinforced by, and in an unnatural coalition with, those who have been and still are foremost in denouncing him, and even demanding his impeachment. First and foremost would be the Chicago *Tribune*, the leading western Republican journal, which, from first to last, has taken the ultra free trade ground—in advance of the New York *Post*, even. Of the present tariff bill it holds the following opinions:

"There has been no such utterly vicious and unprincipled scheme as this before Congress during the present generation, and we again warn Western members of Congress that if they vote for it they must expect to meet the vengeance of their constituents before they are many months older."

With this view of the bill not a few of the Western members are known to sympathise, and they would, no doubt, applaud the President for vetoing the bill when it comes into his hands. Precisely what is his predisposition, nothing positive seems to be known, although it is thought good ground exists for apprehending a veto, Mr. COWAN, who is reputed to have weight with the President, is giving his whole influence for the bill. He must know that a veto would create an issue, overshadowing all other issues, which would send the majority in Pennsylvania up to between one hundred thousand that the odds would not be worth counting. A similar effect would be produced in other States. If the Northwestern Republicans, with the Chicago *Tribune* at their head, should think it best to carry their hatred for the principle of Protection to this extent, it will be but another instance making famous the present day for sudden changes and unnatural coalitions. If it be true that the President is prepared to veto the bill, then even now these extreme, radical Republicans, are already with the President in opposition to a principle which, ever since CALHOUN pronounced against Protection, has had in the South a steady and generally effective enemy,—effective because there have generally been found in the North enough to join the South to give the country an anti-Protective policy. Whether the country is to be afflicted again in this way remains to be seen. We do not believe the President will court extra ruin by using the veto on the bill.

SPECIE AND PRICES.

A cotemporary, after stating that the prices of all articles necessary to living are forty per cent. higher than they were three years ago, in the midst of the war and at one of the gloomiest periods of it, asks "can any person give a satisfactory answer to the question, why should ordinary articles of domestic use command a higher price in a time of profound peace, with no war in fact or in expectancy, than they did three years ago?"

The question and the subject are interesting to every one. Prices are high and for anything we can see in the case, may go considerably higher—in the future, for the same causes that maintain them at the present point may raise them to any given point above it. When we speak of the necessaries of life, we of course, reckon labor as well as money among the considerations paid for them. The products of labor are high because labor itself is so, and labor is high because the products of it to the consumer are so. This see-saw or alternating argument is one of the plausible ones for the right of high prices all round the circle of commodities. Just the opposite style of reasoning is adopted with reference to the currency, the high prices of both labor and its products being attributed to the low value of money.

The soundness of this position we utterly deny. If gold and silver were the only currency of the country at this hour, the business of the country remaining of the same extent that it is, and being conducted on the same general method, the prices both of labor and its products would remain unchanged. Only on one hypothesis, could the change of currency from paper to coin, necessarily affect prices. That condition is, that the business of the country should be restricted in amount to the value of the coin actually in existence in the country. Otherwise, bills of exchange, private notes, checks and other evidences of debt would pass from hand to hand as Bank notes now do, and no perceptible effect would be necessarily produced on prices. There is not now, and never has been, and never will be, enough of the precious metals to meet the requirements of business, without collateral support from paper currency in some form. And as to the form, we believe we have now the best, in the accredited currency, that we ever had or can hope to have.

The proposition, therefore, to return to specie alone as the material for aiding in the exchange of commodities, or, in other words, for carrying on the trade and business of the country, besides being one that never has been nor ever can be realized, is equivalent to a proposition to contract the business of the country to perhaps a quarter or an eighth of its present extent. This would be entirely antagonistic to not only the morbid spirit of speculation, but also, and perhaps still more decidedly, to the civilization of the age, and both antagonistic and damaging in the highest degree to the interests of labor. Without contracting the extent of business, then, specie as the sole currency is an impossibility, and prices, so far as that argument goes, would remain in their present lofty position. On notes, bills and business paper of various sorts, speculations could be conducted and commodities held out of the market for a rise, as well as on the present currency of the country.

Neither has the tariff justly to bear the blame of exhorbitant prices. In the first place, what is called a high tariff has not yet been passed in Congress, and no visible connection has been shown between its prospective influence and the *present* high prices. The present tariff, we may say, excludes nothing. Internal prices are so high that foreign manufacturers can allow the margin for duties, and then undersell us. We import not only goods but the artisans that make them and yet are prices kept up. And as long as the alternating argument is deemed good, whichever way it is put, high labor makes high prices of living, or high prices of living make high labor, we see no prospect or possibility of much improvement. Neither specie payments nor high or low tariff can effect it, for they do not reach the cause of the difficulty.

We have no doubt there is too much business done, or, to use the term not quite so respectable that is applied in the case, that too much speculation is indulged in. This is not, in our judgment, fairly attributed to the currency, for a large proportion of it is done without and beyond the use of currency. There is too much credit, or what is the same thing, too much debt in the mode of doing business. This is illustrated as clearly in the trade connected with staple articles, as wheat, beef, wool, &c., and even in gold itself, as in anything else. Immense trade, tending, *by a necessary course*, to raise prices, has run riot in these altogether on credit, that is, on speculation. A few central operations by a few central operators, control prices in all the minute ramifications of the trade. And this is the radical source of the difficulty in the country with regard to prices. The ordinary principles of political economy and the ordinary rules of business, adjusting prices by the balance of demand and supply, are abrogated by the despotic scepter of monopoly. Instead of the supply and demand regulating each other, and abundant products producing a corresponding reduction of price, or the converse, the supply is subjected to an arbitrary arrangement which has all the effects and often also the form of monopoly. And it is none the less unjust, while it is often the more oppressive, when the end is reached by a combination of many engaged in the same interest, than it would be if it were effected by a single monopolist.

A remedy for the present condition of things, is earnestly desired by the great majority of people, who may well be alarmed at the continuance of more than war prices in a time of peace. And a remedy has been earnestly sought by those who desire well for the interests of the great body of the people. We do not look for it in the direction of legislative action on the tariff or the currency. We do not anticipate its advent from any supposable increase in the products of the country, or extension of the business of the country. The morbid condition does not arise from political or material causes, but from those of a moral nature. And only such remedy as is adapted to the malady can cure it, and remove the evils consequent upon it, and so heavily felt by the mass of the people.

ADJOURNMENT OF CONGRESS.

It is scarcely probable Congress will remain in session much longer than ten or fifteen days from this time. Although no time for adjourning has been agreed upon, the indications are and it seems to be understood that the session will close somewhere the middle, or about the twenty-fifth of the month, by which time it is hoped the most important business will have been disposed of.

The Tax and Tariff, the Army and other bills of the first importance, remain to be disposed of. The general welfare necessarily suffers from crowding the most important business into the closing days and hours of the session, as in this case; and it is to be presumed that members now realize to what advantage some of the days and even weeks wasted in speech making, could be used, or might have been used, in maturing the great financial measures now being rushed through without due deliberation, and which must necessarily become laws in a crude state.

Considering everything, however, in case the Tariff, Tax, and some few other bills of prime importance, get through in tolerable shape, there will be abundant reason for rejoicing in what, in the main, will be generally regarded as a satisfactory closing up of the session. On the reconstruction question Congress has taken and will hold a strong position before the people, and for nothing will the returning members be so warmly approbated by their constituents as for their passing the constitutional amendment in the modified form. If to this could be added the admission of certain loyal members, there would be nothing to be desired touching the position of the Representatives and the Republican Union party on the question of restoration of the States.

DIETETIC REFORM.

Progress is the inexorable tyrant of the age, before whom one after another of the things that were, are fast becoming as if they had not been. But there are institutions which he has so gently touched, that they have existed to us from our earliest recollection, as a part of the established order of things, and we should be startled, as if for our own identity, if we saw them vanishing. Now, not among the least of these is the cherry-faced, white-aproned denizen of Boniface's hospitality, who welcomes us to his graceful sirloins and smooth rounds, with a complacency which has no counterpart in human assurance.

We should tremble at the very thought of questioning the tenderness or juiciness of the dainty piece which he condescends to deposit in our meekly waiting basket. Is it not enough that his broad blade has trimmed and smoothed it? But a change is coming, and we already feel that the time is not far distant when we shall select our morning steaks without the usual nervousness and palpitations which accompany us on such occasions. Monsieur BLOT, a distinguished dissertator on cookery, and all things pertaining thereto, is working a revolution in this department, and the poor easy public is becoming critical.

A few more chapters on the "Art of Dining," like the last which he has contributed to the "*Galaxy*," for this month, will banish forever the ruling monarch of the market house, and in his place we shall have the obsequious vender who will see a disciple of Monsieur BLOT, in every customer.

Two lines in the chapter referred to might serve as a good market basket motto: "The meat of the best beef, is of a fine fibre, and of a clear red color, with yellowish white fat. Cow beef is paler than Ox beef and the fat is white."

His remarks upon broths are highy interesting. Hesays: "They are te good cooking what good wheat is to bread; (with some exceptions,) dishes prepared without broth, are to those prepared with it, what corn or rye bread is to wheat bread. Broth, and especially *consomme*, are to old age, what milk is to the infant."

Broth is called *bouillon* in France, and *stock* in England. The word *pot-au-feu* means the meat, vegetables, seasoning, spices, and the "pot" or soup—kettle itself—that is everything made use of in making broth. The French army is fed on this *pot-au-feu* three hundred and sixty days in the year.

Monsieur BLOT observes that "it is a great mistake to believe that good broth can be made of bones of veal. By boiling or simmering bones and veal, you obtain a gelatinous liquid, but not a rich broth with a pleasant flavor. When properly made, broth is clear, when milky, it has been made of bones, veal, or very interior beef."

Then follows receipts for making good broths for pottages, as well as broth for sauces and gravies.

A real kindness he has done the radish, in the following: "Radishes are, for many persons, a very indigestible vegetable, but nature, who provides for everything, has placed in the centre leaves of the raddish a substance, which acts on the radish like the gastric juice on food. Therefore, radishes should be served with their centre leaves, and be eaten with them."

"THE Tariff bill is thought to be in danger of being lost entirely, if not through the disagreement of the two Houses, by the veto of the President, who is understood to be opposed to certain features of the bill."

So says a dispatch to the Philadelphia *Ledger*. We cannot credit it. The President could not do a more fatal thing, either to himself or the country, and we do not understand that he is quite prepared to bury himself for the sake of bringing about common ruin. If the President has supporters now in Pennsylvania, and throughout the North generally, after such a veto they would be few and far between. Whoever had become attached to his interests would be lost sight of forever. The President may not like certain features of the Tariff bill, but we have no idea he is going to immolate himself and all his friends on that account.

THE FOURTH IN PHILADELPHIA.

Although a full description has not come to hand, we are assured that the display in Philadelphia on the Fourth was very fine, and the concourse greater than on any previous occasion in that city. The pageant, although interfered with somewhat by mismanagement, was surpassingly fine, and as a whole the proceedings were eminently satisfactory.

MR. FORNEY accuses Mr. JOHNSON with the betrayal of his party. Very good. But in his letter to the President, no longer ago than January last—at which time, he now says, no one dreamed the President would prove recreant—Mr. FORNEY urged the appointment of a gentleman to the New York Collectorship on the ground that he was "an ANDREW JOHNSON Democrat," and would "build up a party" for him. Mr. FORNEY furthermore proposed to make the Selection "outside of all the politicians"—which was well enough,—but was not the proposition as a whole one to kick away the Republican planks and get up a new party on the "Democratic" plan? We submit, would any true Unionparty man make such a proposition? What occasion was there for talking of a new party, if the old one was not to be cast aside?

THERE was a "State Convention of the friends of ANDREW JOHNSON" in Philadelphia, on Tuesday. EX-Governor WM. F. JOHNSTON, of Pittsburgh, presented a series of resolutions which were adopted, one of which is as follows:

"*Resolved*, That the political and social welfare of the National Republic is based upon and bound up with the prosperity of our manual labor, and we look upon the protection of the industrial interests of the country—agricultural, mining, manufacturing, and commercial—against the antagonistic and unequal competition of foreign countries, as one of the most important duties of the National Legislature."

This looks as though the new party people had commenced early to "head the President" on the Tariff question. That they may succeed, is to be hoped most fervently.

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE.

The total amount of income tax in Cook county, including Chicago, is $1,305,940. The largest income in Chicago is that of P. Schuttler, the wagon manufacturer, $190,774. The second one is that of C. H. McCormick, the reaper manufacturer, $153,135, a falling off of over half a million from last year. Last year there were ten whose incomes exceeded $100,000; two exceeding $200,000, and one exceeding $300,000. Of these the five principal ones were: Wm. B. Ogden, $388,455; S. M. Nickerson, $275,613; U. H. Crosby, $191,282; C. H. McCormick, $191,599, and J. V. Farwell, $164,119.

The Metropolitan Hotel, in Cincinnati, was damaged by fire and water on Tuesday to the amount of $10,000.

The editor of the Davenport *Gazette* has witnessed a microscopic examination of some of the muscles of one of the persons who recently died in Iowa from eating diseased pork. Placed under a microscope of 500 diameters, the trichinæ were seen apparently larger than angle worms.

According to a Washington dispatch MAXIMILIAN's agents thought his cause could be supported by buying up newspapers in the United States. Government has come into possession of a document showing what papers they have bought and the prices paid therefor. It also has a document showing what other papers they thought could be bought, and at what price, and this list is as follows: New York *Herald*, a presstion left out; New York *Tribune*, $5,000; New York *Times*, $5,000; New York *World*, $2,500; New York *Evening Post*, $2,500; New York *News*, $2,500; *Courrier des Etats Unis*, $2,500; German *Gazette*, New York; Philadelphia *Ledger*, $2,500; Baltimore *Sun*, $2,000; Washington *Intelligencer*, $2,000; Cincinnati *Advertiser*, $2,000; St. Louis *Democrat*, $2,000; New Orleans *Picayune*, $2,500; *Freeman's Journal*, $1,800; Washington *Chronicle*, $3,000; Boston *Post*, $2,000; St. Louis *Republican*, $2,000; Cincinnati *Gazette*, $2,000. The story is rather fishy.

The present outstanding circulation of the Indiana Free Banks is about eighty thousand dollars, apportioned among thirty banks, all but four of which have given notice of closing business, under the provisions and requirements of the free banking law of 1855.

A man in Halifax, Virginia, has discovered a mine of the famous "mad stones," of which not more than twenty were known to be in existence. They are said to possess the power to extract the poison of serpents and mad dogs from wounds, and perform other miraculous offices.

A correspondent of the Richmond *Enquirer*, at Charlottesville, writes as follows: "The late Commodore Uriah P. Levy, of the United States Navy, disposes of his landed property, by his will, the Property and $300,000 to establish a school, free to all denominations, at Monticello. The will was contested by his widow and other heirs, and has been set aside by the Supreme Court of the United States. His widow, who is an accomplished and beautiful lady, has become the executrix of the estate, and will receive in fee simple one half of all the personal property left by her husband, besides receiving one-third of the income derived from the real estate, which is of very considerable value."

PERSONAL.

—Miss Mulock, the authoress, has married a man named Craik, she being forty and he twenty-five. Some time ago one had a leg broken on the railway in London. After the accident a letter was found in his pocket, and addressed to Miss Muloch (a letter of introduction from his father,) and he was taken to her house and tenderly cared for. A great friendship sprung up between them, but for a long time it was more like that existing between an elder sister and younger brother than any deeper sentiment. He at length went home, but soon returned—proposed, and was accepted, Mr. Craik was what he called an "unfortunate," having failed as a wine manager in the London branch of Macmillan's publishing house. Miss Muloch is very tall and rather gaunt, but has a peculiarly gentle look. She is very quiet and unpretending, and hates to be spoken of as an authoress.

—Governor Fairchild, of Wisconsin, while walking on his premises on Sunday night, was brutally assaulted by an unknown person, who approached him from behind and endeavored to tell him to the ground with a sling shot. The Governor's turning at the sound of the approaching footsteps probably saved his life, as this movement disconcerted the villian's aim, and the murderous weapon glanced by the Governor's head. The only explanation regarding the affair is that it was the work of a disappointed office seeker. Dispatches were received from Washington, wherein it was stated that a southerner in that city had threatened his life.

—Preston King and James H. Lane were members of the Baltimore Convention, having been members of the Democratic Convention, and both committed suicide. Persons who attended the Convention will remember a laughable scene in which they were conspicuous. Mr. King rose to speak, in the body of the hall, to a question that was under consideration, when Mr. Lane suggested, in a loud tone of voice, that the speaker should get up on a table. King was an extremely corpulent man)—take his position on the platform while speaking, so that the Convention "might see through him." The suggestion "brought down the house," and caused a peculiar smile to suffuse the broad countenance of Mr. King.

—Mr. Clarence A. Seward, nephew of the Secretary of State, and at one time Assistant Secretary of State, left for New York where he will take the next steamer for Europe, as bearer of dispatches from the United States to the Emperor of France.

—It is reported that our Minister at Madrid, John P. Hale, has asked to be recalled, and that Gen. Sickles, lately appointed to the Hague will probably be his successor.

—General Gordon Granger will be a candidate for a mission to the Hague when it becomes vacant.

—In consequence of the new developments regarding the testimony given in the assassination trial, efforts are about being made to obtain the release of Spangler, of Ford's Theatre, who was sent to the Dry Tortugas, being found guilty of being accessory after the fact in the murder of Mr. Lincoln. Spangler, however, is known to ask for a civil trial rather than a pardon, being more desirous he says, of establishing his innocence than of merely obtaining his release.

—Charlotte Cushman will shortly celebrate the 60th anniversary of her birth—Fanny Kemble is in her 19th year; Kate Bateman is 21 years old: Julia Dean is 25; Madam Celeste is 64; Mrs. John Wood, 38, Miss Bennett Barrow is 40; Adah Isaacs Menken, 27; Avonia Jones, 28; Kate Reignolds 27; Mrs. Vernon is nearly 70; Mrs. J. H. Allen is 22; Madeline Henriques is 20 and is the youngest leading lady on the stage; Parepa is 58; Miss Hosmer is 28; Maggie Mitchell is 30.

—W. E. McMasters, the artist, has completed a one thousand dollar portrait of Major General Slocum, of New York, to be presented to the General by several of his admirers in that State.

—The Bowery Masters are squabbling over who has the oldest piece of crockery. The oldest pitcher we know of was Jocabed. She pitched Moses's cradle, within and without, with pitch.

—Mr. Tilton, of the *Independent*, proposes a novel plan to create fame for public men. He calls upon American ladies who love their country, and who desire some time love to shine at Newport and Saratoga, to use their influence this summer to create a new fashion at the seaside—the fashion of political justice. Let them make, he says, the names of Charles Sumner and Thaddeus Stevens popular on hotel piazzas.

—Prof. Agassiz, in a letter, informs those contemplating emigration to Brazil that while the resources of that country are boundless, yet laws and usages of the land place restrictions on the stranger not conducive to the comfort and prosperity of the emigrant.

THE Fort Wayne, Indiana, *Gazette* says that one of the most extraordinary freaks of nature occurred near that city, which it has heard of in a long time. A certain farmer, living fourteen miles south of there, was blessed in one night with three sets of twins—two children, two colts, and two calves!

The Miantonomah at Sea.

The Providence *Journal* publishes a letter written on board the Ashuelot, one of the fleet that conveyed the Miantonomah across the ocean, from which we give some further particulars of the passage of the first monitor across the ocean. On the evening of Tuesday, June 5, the fleet followed the Miantonomah out to sea. The writer says:

People flocked to the wharves to see the departure, and from the boats in the harbor music floated out upon the long twilight evening air. The fleet of ships employed by us in the British American behind, thus commenced the cruise across the Atlantic of the first Yankee monitor from the sea. Its appearance was unwarrantly a vessel, so seemingly at variance, in construction and equipment, with all nautical rules and standards; alternately buried beneath the surface of the waters and lifted easily above them; masts, spars, and sails, none; yet there was no shaken confidence in the little fleet, or her complete ability to finish the voyage safely and well. The following day the three vessels were steadily on the course selected.

Nothing of interest is spoken of till the arrival off Cork Harbor, at which time the narrator writes as follows:

During the trip I have watched the Miantonomah for hours, as she, in truth, ploughed her way through the deep. Steaming six or seven and a half knots—her maximum speed is much greater than this—with a moderate consumption of coal, she seems to be not a whit behind other vessels. Monday morning, Yesterday and to-day the sea has been unusually high. Upon the great waves which now and then almost hid from view the little vessel, she would ride gracefully and buoyantly, and then fall away with the recoil from the crest, only as a cork just hardly rolling from side to side, while the waves, which seemed at times must engulf her, were hardly able to skim across her deck.

I have never seen an iron clad at sea that seemed so obedient to the motion of the water, and whose deck was continually above the long heavy swell or driving sea. It seemed as though the Miantonomah were finishing what the Monadnock so well commenced—to test that small prove the feasibility of the monitor class of vessels navigating the sea and crossing the ocean.

June 15th, the writer says: We made Cape Clear early this morning, and were soon coasting along this beautiful coast, checkered with its mosaic of farms and gardens of every shade of green. As we passed the bluff near of Kinsale, the light-keeper dipped the British ensign, which he had hoisted on the flagstaff near by—the first flag in Europe that saluted an American monitor iron clad. We steamed handsomely in line into the harbor, between the two great headlands, crowned with English fortifications, from which we were again saluted by the British flag. The Miantonomah steamed in rapidly and so finely that it was no wonder the people generally admired and pleased with her movements.

We passed directly under the bow of the English iron-clad frigate Achilles, whose officers looked down upon the strange iron vessel, unable, evidently to comprehend her character, as she steamed up abreast of the city and came to an anchor. The British flag was hoisted at the "fore" of the English and returned with a single salute. The American Consular salute was then fired. The Miantonomah was then seven from the Black Prince, a 6,000 ton English iron-clad frigate, condemned, and now serving as guardship.

The town stands upon the side of elevated land, and from the people in the streets and houses, looking down upon us, the comers, evidently delighted. And so the passage has been completed of the "first monitor" iron-clad, with much credit to herself for the excellence of the performance, now lays quietly at anchor in a British harbor.

Mr. Forney and the President.

Mr. Forney's two papers, the *Chronicle* and *Press*, contain his letter to the President, prompted by the publication of the one he wrote to New York last January asking certain favors and proposing that Mr. Johnson should be a candidate for a renomination for President. He claims that the publication of this letter was a breach of faith, and justifies himself by stating that it was written previous to the President's defection from the radical party. He insinuates that the President was nominated Vice President by his (Forney's) means at the instigation of the late Mr. Lincoln, and complains very much of the ingratitude of Andrew Johnson. He refers somewhat mysteriously to the "forged letter" which was sent to Cincinnati for the proceedings on the 4th of March, 1865, and adds:

You have not only coolly forgotten the generous men who saved you from disgrace, but are now engaged in pleasantly pouring out slanders against them and proscribing their friends. I will postpone a description of my own part in that sad drama, and simply say that I have other and private revelations you promise to lay before the country.

It is very certain that if you have forgotten all shame, you cannot have forgotten my connection with the conspiracy that ran through our history, including more graphic and intricate page could be added to the curious history of your administration than a decided account of that celebrated day.

I have taken care not to mention in treasuring all the incidents, as you have been in preserving the proofs, that I was the original author whom you intend to betray; but where my memory fails I shall be able to eke out a complete narrative by turning to the columns and the leading columns of those traitor and Copperhead newspapers which are now defending your character and your course.

A Washington dispatch asserts the publication of Mr. Forney's letter to the President, alluded to above, is but the commencement of a series of epistles by the same author that will gradually be published. These, with Mr. Forney's promised expose, will furnish reading matter for the dog-days, of uncommon freshness. In the meantime we will be more to appear at whose bottle Mr. Johnson took the first drink on inauguration day.

A Sound View.

The Richmond *Whig*, has a letter from an exrebel, who says: "I am as much opposed to allowing these freedmen to come *en masse* to the ballot box as any man, and four years' service in the battlefields and of Northern Virginia should be surety that I am incapable of a thought or a feeling inimical to the South. But I can freely declare that I know negroes better qualified for the suffrage, morally and intellectually, than thousands of the present white voters. Whether a man's color should exclude him from political privileges, I have no doubt; but I am quite sure that no man's color should divest him of his just civil rights.

"My propositions suggest a compromise between extremists. No man, white or black, person soever, should be permitted to vote unless properly qualified; yet, so qualified, he should vote for he is black as a Fenian. The proposed measure will admit but few freedmen—and those of a superior class—to the franchise, and will enable the great body of ruffianism, whose just destiny is to be governed and not to govern, to find no possible gainers by the adoption of this plan. If we deny, or persistently refuse, the privilege of suffrage to them in this restricted form, we deny to them all civil and political privileges, which can be granted to them by act of Congress. Give the blacks the qualified suffrage I suggest, and even fierce Thaddeus Stevens may relent."

The Davis Trial.

Preparations are already being made to secure reporters of known ability for the trial of Jefferson Davis, in October next; and from the parties making these preparations, there is little room for doubt that both the Government and Davis's counsel ready to expect the trial at that time. Mr. Sutton, of the Senate corps, will probably be the reporter for the Government, and the case will be published serially, in his unobtrusive, but very valuable style. The preparations are also on foot to obtain permission from the Government for Davis to receive a visit from friends in Maryland; only a few, however, not more than two host loads. The boats are to be chartered in Baltimore. A meeting of Mr. Davis by public delegations is the most impolitic move in regard to the matter possible, and therefore Pratt is to obtain the permission, it is said.

WHISKY.—The people of the United States consume a large quantity of whisky, if we may judge from the report of the Revenue Commission, which estimates the amount annually consumed at a gallon and a half for each man, woman and child in the country. British America is not far behind us, however, for it consumes annually a gallon and a quarter for each of its inhabitants. In Great Britain malt liquors prevail, for the people, whilst they consume only one-fifth as much spirits or wine, drink or each one, drink an average of nearly a barrel of ale and beer apiece. Russia is the greatest whisky drinking country, however, consuming, averaging more than two gallons annually for each of the inhabitants.

THE lobby are clearing out from Washington without having made much money during the present session. It is asserted that barring some two or three masked schemes for personal and pecuniary aggrandizement, which were developed during the virginity of the present Congress, lobbying, thus far, has been attended with no great dividends. Pretty much all the old lingerers have long abandoned their chain early in the winter season, and since their abdication have only looked in occasionally, and then, as they expressed it, "not for business." In the matter of small "claims," there has been more thriving, but the assignments of some of them, not a little *finesse* has been exerted.

AMONG the stories told of the Chinese ambassadors who lately visited Paris, is one to the effect that their enthusiasm on returning from the opera was so great that one of the official *chaperons* attached to their service was moved to inquire what were the terms of the evening's entertainment which had most forcibly struck their fancy, when he learned, to his disgust, that it was neither the house, nor the lustres, nor the scenery, but the music, for the first time, nor even the ballet, that had most delighted them, but the preliminary tuning of the instruments by the orchestra before each lifting of the curtain!

OUTRAGE IN TENNESSEE.—The Memphis *Post* of the 2d says: "The old Tecumseh plantation, on the Mississippi river, leased by a firm of Northern gentlemen, under the style of Adams, Van Pelt & Co., was visited last week by a body of armed men, with their faces blackened, and robbed of $3,000 and arms, and many valuables. They killed nearly all the stock, murdered five negro hands, and set the cotton gin and stables on fire, which were destroyed, and finally left. Planters in the vicinity have formed a neighborhood organized a company and soon followed the marauders, but on encountering them they proved too strong for the pursuers, and the latter were obliged to return."

THE POPULATION OF NEW JERSEY.—The population of this State in 1860 was 672,035; in 1865 it footed up 773,700, showing an increase of 101,665 soulsin five years. For so old a State as New Jersey, this is doing well. Four of the five years from 1860 to 1865 were years of war, during which time thousands of the young men of the State left it never to return. Two of the counties (Atlantic and Somerset), show a falling off, and the largest increase is in those counties nearest to the city of New York—that hive of immigration, from which population flows in every direction.

THE Delhi (India) *Gazette* tells a marvellous story of a boy of twelve years of age, who has just been taken from a she wolf's den near that place. The *Gazette* announces that, like Romulus of old, he had been suckled by her, and when discovered ran away swiftly on all fours. It also adds that he was fonder of raw meat than any other food. All of which makes up a very pretty and romantic story, that the world may believe or not, as it chooses.

GAIL HAMILTON, in her last work, "Summer Rest," does not seem to assent to the doctrine of the immortality of the soul as it is popularly understood. She asks, "If a man is good for nothing here will he be good for anything there? Will he learn to grain into tissue, what is there for him to do in a world where there is neither grain nor tissue? Why should he live again?"

WE learn from the London *Field* that an epidemic is carrying off the grouse in many districts of England and Scotland. A similar disease destroyed many birds some years ago, and its nature is not at all understood. The *Field* is of the opinion that it is caused by overstocking.

Did the British Gain Anything by Our War?

We have frequently heard the question asked by merchants—whether the British capitalists, who aided the rebels, made more money by their interference than they would have made had they remained neutral and allowed our commerce fair play? As intelligent shipowner, who has given the subject considerable attention, says that they lost millions.

When the war commenced we had nearly a million tons of shipping employed in the British and Colonial trade which were managed with consummate skill. Out of their earnings the British public realized a handsome per centage by the cheapness with which they obtained the raw material from foreign markets, and by their disbursements. In their bigoted hatred they let loose pirates upon this profitable trade, which they knew no how to manage themselves, and virtually destroyed it. They reasoned falsely, that their own shipping would thus obtain entire control of the trade which had been conducted so successfully and profitably by our own, but in this they were deceived.

As an illustration of this truth, we refer to the destruction of our whalers. Did this develope the British whaling in the Arctic Ocean? Far from it, on the contrary, it enhanced the price of oil in all the markets of the world, and compelled the British people as well as others, to pay more for it, which of course was a loss. Our merchants, alluded at the depredations of the pirates, said three hundred sail of vessels to be lost. Many of these were purchased by brokers, who conceived the idea of managing a new branch of business for brokers, and failure was the result. The ships averaged nine years old, and generally brought great prices; but they proved a loss to many of the purchasers and to banks which advanced money on them.

The pirates destroyed shipping valued at $20,000,000, and we captured over 1,000 British vessels, which on an average were equally valuable steamers, with their cargoes, which probably in the aggregate equalled our own loss. But, as we have already shown, the immediate losses by commercial relations with Great Britain and her dependencies, that the one could not suffer loss without the like fall to the other.

It may be said that the British by the war obtained the monopoly of our trade, and thereby derived great advantages; but we have already shown that we could conduct that trade better than they, and that it will be so conducted by the British themselves were the guides.

Although our reasoning upon this subject is not backed by an array of hypothecated figures, yet we have no hesitancy in asserting that it is impossible for two commercial nations, the one to make war upon the trade of the other without injury to both. It is our firm conviction that it is the British commercial classes that observed strict neutrality during our war, they would not only have made more money, but to a point of greater importance, they would have secured the friendship of their best customers. But ravarice and malignity are both blind, and often lead to the ruin of those who indulge in them. It was to feed the one and gratify the other that the British commercial classes, while professing to be neutral, made war upon us; but the end thereof is not yet. Every vessel which their piratical cruisers destroyed will have to be paid for, and that at no distant day. Then they will discover whether they have lost or gained by the course they pursued towards us during the Southern rebellion.—*Boston Commercial.*

Dr. Craven's Book.

Dr. Craven's narative of Jeff. Davis's imprisonment is severely criticised by many leading journals, which regard it as a sharp attempt to manufacture a feeling of sympathy with the prisoner. The Philadelphia *Evening Bulletin* says:

The great point made by Craven in his book is the secret of Davis in irons. Here is exposed whatever force he may possess, and lays on his colors with a lavishness that makes quite a brilliant picture for those who believe in that style of painting, without regard to its fidelity to nature. Craven harps page after page upon the sentimental and romantic torture undergone by Davis during the time he was ironed. He tells how diligently ingenious Craven laid in inventing pads and cushions to ease his sufferings. He gives his readers to understand that the whole care of Davis was of unutterable and unequaled hardship, and he has already started a howl all through the South, that must come back as music to the ears of traven cads.

Whether there was a necessity for ironing Davis or not, is a difficult question to determine. It is done by Gen. Halleck's orders, and it is to be presumed that Gen. Halleck believed that there was good reason for the order. But any man of a good Union officer was subjected to far greater indignities by Davis's subordinates, during his brief career of treason, and there is no necessity for any particular sympathy with the man who is personally and legally responsible for the sufferings inflicted upon our officers and soldiers. This is what are the facts? The testimony of officers at Fortress Monroe, quite as worthy of credit as Dr. Craven, is in direct conflict with Craven's statement. It is specimen of proof which would satisfy any one but a confirmed copperhead or rebel, that on the very day after Davis was ironed he complained that he could not sleep, and the key of his shackles was placed in his own keeping; he took them off and put them on again in the morning. Doctor Craven takes very good care not to mention this most essential fact, but he will scarcely have the temerity to deny it. The whole purpose of his book is to manufacture sympathy for Davis, and to put money in his own purse, and he appears to be not over particular as to the means by which he attains these ignoble ends.

AMERICAN INTERESTS AND IRISH FREEDOM.—Chief Organizer Stephens, in a recent speech, stated that he had positive information from the highest authorities at Washington that the Roberts-Sweeny Fenians had "no promise whatever from the American government, but that their movement would be winked at much less openly encouraged." He also said, with truth and force: "Do you think that the American people would go to war just now? Do you think that this great nation can be dragged into a war by any faction or party of Irishmen, against the wishes and her policy? Do any friends, and the Irishman, be he who he may, is false to his own soul and to his race, who would plot against, in Ireland, and false to his oath of allegiance to his adopted country, who would seek to hurry her into a war which, if it came, would be, to him, might be prejudicial to her interests and her peace."

HEALTH OF NEW YORK.—The report for last week shows an increase in deaths over the preceding one. Dr. Harris, in submitting this statement to the Board of Health, says: "The marked increase in diarrhœa diseases last week is worthy of attention. The total deaths from that class of complaints for the week, up to the 30th inst., were 158, with sixty children under five years. This shows an increase of more than 70 per cent on the average of the previous weeks of May and June.

Representatives in Congress.

To the Editor of the Commercial:

In looking over an Ohio paper, I find a letter complimentary to Gen. Garfield, Representative in the present Congress, in which the writer mentions favorably his watchfulness and care for the interests of his constituency, and takes occasion to say that Gen. Garfield is much like the Representative from the Pittsburgh District, "always ready to take hold of the latest thing, and show by his work what he is," and that he is the right man in the right place. The country can ill afford to spare such men from her councils. Seeing is believing. The above gives the reader a faint idea of the labor and time spent by Mr. Garfield to look after the interests of his constituency. No man labors more diligently and honestly in his own private affairs than does Gen. Moorhead for his district in Congress, and with his long experience and at least as good as new. One Mill and Engine made per day.

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NOTICE.—The Annual Meeting of the Corporators of the ALLEGHENY CEMETERY was held at the office, on the grounds, on Saturday, June 30th, 1866, at which meeting the following statement of its affairs was presented and approved, and ordered to be published. At the same meeting the following Board of Managers for the ensuing year were elected to constitute the Board of Managers for the ensuing year.

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For Secretary and Treasurer—N. DIKE. jy4-61

STATEMENT OF BALANCES OF ACCOUNTS of the

Allegheny Cemetery,

For the Fiscal Year Ending on the 31st of May, 1866.

Cemetery Grounds	$93 412 82
Stock and Tools	1 919
Improvements	27 341 67
Expenses	78 813 37
Labor	112 421 37
Bonds and Mortg

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Another Italian Miracle.

A correspondent writing from Rome, under date of May 28, says: "I was an accomplice of a new miracle which had just taken place, causing great excitement in Rome. In the streets, in the saloons, in the public promenades, and in the saloons, nothing is talked of but the miracle. It appears that two inoffensive citizens of Antonio, at Gubbio, a city of Umbria, were stabbed with every circumstance of cruelty. They followed their vocation as brigands in every part of the Pontifical territory, committing felonies without number. They were finally arrested and condemned to death by the Supreme Tribunal of the Council. The Pope remitted the capital sentence on Felix, but would not extend the same to Antonio. He was accused of eleven murders, committed in twenty-three years, for confessed to five. He and the two breasts of a young girl and was suspected of having assassinated his own mother. The sentence was that he should be beheaded, at Bracciano, when he committed his last murder. While in prison at that place, Antonio evinced great contrition, confessed to the priest and devoted himself to religious duties, celebrating every day in his dungeon the service of the "Month of Mary," in honor of the Holy Virgin. On the eve of the day appointed for his execution, he informed his confessor with an act of penitential conviction that the Madonna had appeared to him, and announced that she accepted his repentance, and that he should not die on the scaffold, but live to expiate his crimes, and become one of her servants. This miracle was repeated when the officers came to read his condemnation to him, at the same time decreeing that he should be served that day as his last meal. He declined without the least discomposure. He asked permission to eat chicken, which was granted him, and on his way thither, and even as he mounted to the platform, he reiterated his conviction that he should not be executed. He made the same statement to the assembled crowd, asking for their pardon for his crimes, but added that he would not bid them adieu. The people listened in silence, thinking him mad, and the more confirmed in this opinion by the composed manner in which he knelt down and offered his head to the axe. The executioner seized the handle of the guillotine, which had been tried in the night and found to act effectively. The cleaver, loaded with enormous weights, now descended, but wonderful to relate, it stopped abruptly two fingers' length from the neck of the malefactor. The executioner, resolute in his duty, reset the apparatus, again the blade fell, but it was again arrested at the same point, as by an invisible hand. Meanwhile, the spectators became excited beyond control, and shouted 'pardon! pardon!' while many leaped on the scaffold and released the culprit by force. A courier was dispatched to obtain the pardon of the Pope, and it is confidently stated that the Minister of the Interior has ordered an inquiry as a step in this direction. The interference has by the intelligence

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CITY MATTERS.

THE OAKLAND ROAD.

The Street's of Pittsburgh—A Beautiful Drive out of the City Secured—Private versus Municipal Enterprise—Over Sixty Thousand Dollars Expended on the new Drive—The Work of Improvement still going Forward—The Wretched Condition of Pennsylvania Avenue—Elegant and Costly Private Residences and Grounds at Oakland, Etc. Etc.

It is a matter of serious regret that the progressive city of Pittsburgh scarcely boasts of a single public thoroughfare worthy of her wealth and enterprising character. Originally irregular and narrow, no effort seems to have ever succeeded in the matter of their improvement. There are objections to them which have been urged upon the attention of the municipal authorities from time to time, but the efforts made in this direction seem to have nearly all been exerted in vain. That there are certain streets in Pittsburgh, whose condition at present is creditable to it, will not probably be denied, nor does it appear that the introduction of such famous avenues as are to be found in some of the leading European capitals, as well as in two or three of the leading cities of the United States, are particularly demanded here. The streets of Pittsburgh, however, are not altogether satisfactory, and if they were kept in such repair as to render them less dangerous and uncomfortable than as we find them at present, it would amount to a blessing, for which the public would feel especially grateful. But it is, perhaps, almost a matter for censure, that Pittsburgh has so long existed without possessing even a single first class driving and equestrian avenue, for the use of that portion of the community who have the time and means for recreation on the road.

Other cities have extensive and magnificent parks, and an abundance of suburban drives unequaled anywhere in the country for the manner in which they have been laid out, and are kept in repair. The hills of Allegheny county are no obstacle to the introduction of long needed improvements of this character here, for greater obstacles than even they present, have been overcome in distant cities of the Union, and adequate facilities thus afforded the public for recreation and pleasure. Private enterprise has now and then improved certain public thoroughfares to a limited extent, but the fault seems to lie with the authorities of the city, who are either totally indifferent to the subject, or else, for some other reason, best known to themselves, are not disposed able to give it an adequate amount of attention. We may be justly proud of the "Iron City" in respect to everything else, but when it comes to the question of fine streets, beautiful drives or public parks, we must hold our peace, and yet there is a prospect of a decided change being made if the proper encouragement is extended to those who have the matter in hand. Pennsylvania avenue leads to the Oakland road which is now acknowledged to be an excellent condition for driving and equestrian purposes. But Pennsylvania avenue is very far from inviting to those who can afford to indulge in this healthful and refined pleasure. By the terms of their contract, it is understood, that the passenger railroad company whose line covers it, are bound to keep the street from mire and dust, but it is full of ruts and mud holes from its beginning to the Soho bridge, and there seems to be very little more entertained of destroying it improved unless the municipal authorities take the matter in hand. The street is almost impassable at this avenue and extends to East Liberty. From the Soho bridge to that locality its condition is unexceptionably fine. Property owners and residents of the road, beyond the Fort township school house, have liberally subscribed an immense sum of money to make it an ornament and a credit to Pittsburgh. Over sixty thousand dollars has been paid towards carrying out this laudable design, and, perhaps, nearly half as many again will be required to complete the work. The road has been ballasted from edge to edge with a fine quality of broken stone to the depth of nearly one foot, and is to be covered with an excellent quality of gravel. It now presents an unbroken, level appearance, from East Liberty to the city's limits, and is in a very fine condition for driving parties, by whom it is daily used to the exclusion of other roads that have hitherto been considerably frequented, and will be still more improved in the course of time. There is no public drive out of Pittsburgh that offers such decided advantages even in its present state, and when it is thoroughly completed, it will compare favorably with the best roads in any of the Eastern cities. Immense expense has been paved with boulders from a point this side of Two-mile run, out to the Pitt township school house, by private enterprise, and from thence to East Liberty, it is, as we have stated, most admirably improved. Along the Oakland road, and adjacent to it, there are many and various costly and elegant private residences, surrounded by beautiful grounds, tastefully laid out and richly decorated, in addition to the liberal draperies Nature herself has bestowed upon them. At the corner of the Greensburg pike and Oakland road stands the fine old Mellinger property, one exceedingly fine situation, at present occupied by James B. Murray, Esq. Beyond this stands the residence of William Carey, Esq., and on the left, some distance back from the road and commanding a fine view, is the residence of Robert formerly belonging to Mr. W. M. Faber. On the same side is the residence of Edward Ladin, Esq., a very elegant affair, and adjacent to it is a new frame residence of a neat and attractive design, now in course of completion. Andrew Halloran, Esq., on the right, still farther beyond, is the rural dwelling of George W. Hallock, Esq., also one of the finest buildings on Oakland road and was erected after plans brought from England. A beautiful road, known as "Shady Lane" leads its beginning on the left at this point, and near it stands the rural residence of Robert H. Hartley, Esq., Springer Harbaugh, Esq., Francis Sellers, Esq., and others. The new and splendid residence of Hon. Thos. M. Howe, is located on an eminence at the left of Oakland road, near this point, commanding an extensive view of the surrounding country, and it is one of the first private dwellings seen on approaching Oakland. It is built of fine light colored stone, after a modern and rich design, and stands in the center of a beautiful piece of property, adorned with springs and abounding in shrubbery, trees, etc. The elegant rural residence of George A. Berry, Esq., stands upon a still higher rise of ground on the same side of the road, and is the largest private residence in the vicinity. Further beyond, on the left, James P. Hanna, Esq., has a very fine residence. On the right, about this point, is the McFarland Grove, accessible by a good road, and is near the well known Aitkins property. On the left is the residence of Joseph A. Dilworth, Esq., and opposite, to the right, is the residence of David Aitkins, Esq. On Seventh street are the residences of Alexander Bradley, Esq., purchased from Mr. Pennock Alexander Bradley, Esq., purchased from Mr. Pennock Alexander Bradley, Esq., purchased from Mr. Pennock